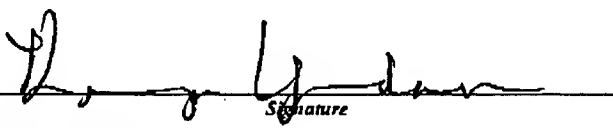
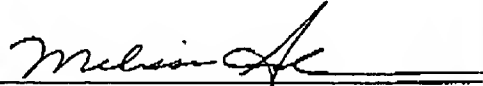


<b>AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER (Large Entity)</b>				Docket No. <b>VAS-5041CIP2</b>	
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Invention: <b>DRUG ELUTING RADIALY EXPANDABLE TUBULAR STENTED GRAFTS</b>					
<u>TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:</u>					
Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.					
The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.					
<b>CLAIMS AS AMENDED</b>					
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TOTAL CLAIMS	16 -	102 =	0 x	\$18.00	\$0.00
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Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/>					\$0.00
<b>TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT</b>					<b>\$0.00</b>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No additional fee is required for amendment. <input type="checkbox"/> Please charge Deposit Account No. <b>50-1225</b> in the amount of <input type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of to cover the filing fee is enclosed. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. <b>50-1225</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16. <input type="checkbox"/> Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.					
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